



Naidheachdan Bun Sgoil Steòrnabhaigh

27mh den t-Sultain / 27th September 2024

Leasachadh Spòrs Sports Development

We are delighted to share with you that the planning application for the new sports facility at Stornoway Primary School has now been submitted. The plans are viewable publicly through the Comhairle website. Subject to approval and other contractual and operational factors, it is expected that the building will be completed by autumn 2025.

Coinneamhan Phàrant Parent Appointments

Parent appointments for all pupils will take place on **Monday 7th** and **Tuesday 8th October**. This will be an appointment in the school with your child's class teacher. You will receive notification of your appointment date and time week commencing 30th September. We encourage all parents/carers to attend.

Seisean Fiosrachaidh Clas 7 Primary 7 Trip Information Session

Primary 7 Parents/Carers are warmly invited to our P7 Trip information meeting on Tuesday 1st October 2024 at 5pm in Stornoway Primary School.

Coileanaidhean Pearsanta Wider Achievements

At Stornoway Primary School, we strive to support all pupils to have opportunities that develop their interests, skills and talents in school, at home, and in the wider community. Participating in a range of enjoyable activities and events is an important part of education and develops skills for learning, life and work. Recognising, valuing and celebrating personal achievements helps to raise self-esteem and confidence.

Seesaw is used as a platform to share and celebrate pupils' learning and wider achievements. The development of individual learning journals, allows pupils to have a greater understanding of themselves, their learning and their potential. Please share any photographs of your child's achievements on Seesaw.

Please share information about your child's wider achievements using the following link

<https://forms.office.com/e/ZHdtkm74PM>

Feasgar Cofaidh agus Coinnich an Tidsair

Meet the Teacher Coffee Afternoon



Primary 7 and the Rights Respecting School Steering Committee held a Coffee Afternoon and Meet the Teacher event on Friday 20th September. We had a fantastic afternoon where Stornoway Primary welcomed the wider school community into the school. Together, the school community raised a total of £1250 for Bethesda Hospice. Thank you to all the families that supported the event.

Comann Bioball na h-Alba

Bible Society Visit



Sue Thomson and Mairi Morrison from the Scottish Bible Society came to visit the school and worked with GL5A, GM5 and GL6A. The lessons were delivered in Gaelic and English. The pupils learnt about the story of Daniel and the Lions. The story was brought to life with some of the pupils helping to act it out. The classes went on to complete fun and interactive activities with Sue and Mairi.

Latha Nàiseanta Leugh Leabhar National Read a Book Day



On the 6th of September, GL5A delivered an assembly to the whole school to celebrate National Read A Book Day. By Celebrating National Read A Book Day, the children shared the importance of cultivating a strong reading culture. Classes went on to celebrate the day in their classes and were enthusiastic about reading and sharing their books. When the whole school loves reading, we all go on exciting adventures together through books.

Bùth-obrach Acadamaidh Sgillean Saidheans Science Skills Academy Visit



Primary 7 took part in Our World Science workshops which was delivered by the Science Skills Academy. Pupils were exploring the captivating world of space and learning about satellites. They were investigating how satellites monitor the Earth and were able to use their own creativity to build their own model satellites using Lego.

Leabhraichean Acair Acair Book Sale



Acair have a range of lovely books on sale for only £1.00. Families can take advantage of this offer until Tuesday 1st October.

<http://www.acairbooks.com/on-sale>

Bucais Charthannais Blythswood

Blythswood Shoebox Appeal

Blythswood Shoe Box Appeal leaflets have been issued to pupils. Any families that wish to support the appeal can drop their shoeboxes off to the school by Thursday 24th October. Empty shoeboxes are available at the school office for families to use. Thank you.

shooboxappeal.org



**2024
SHOE BOX
APPEAL**

Blythswood Shoebox Appeal 2024 - Lewis and Harris
The Appeal Centre will be at WOODY'S, Rigs Road in Stornoway, in one of the units at the back, beside WOODY'S Main Building.

The Appeal Centre will be open on the following days to receive shoeboxes
and there will be no access before 4:00pm

- Thursday 24th October, 4pm - 6:30pm
- Friday 25th October, 4pm - 6:30pm
- Saturday 26th October, 10 am - 12:00 noon

The APPEAL will CLOSE on Saturday 26th OCTOBER at 12 noon.

Shoeboxes should be taken into the Appeal Centre Unit and placed on a pallet. Volunteer Staff will be available to give advice.

Shoeboxes from schools, churches, organisations, families or individuals SHOULD NOT be handed into the Blythswood Shop on Kenneth Street. This is to safeguard against double-handling - Thank you

LEAFLETS
Blythswood Shoebox Leaflets are available for collection from the Blythswood Shop, Stornoway, Ness, and Balallan, Nicolson's Newsagents, some schools, and churches. They are also available online.

Further information can be sought from Blythswood Care on Facebook or from the Lewis and Harris Blythswood Support Group, contacts opposite:

THANK YOU FOR HELPING OTHERS LESS FORTUNATE WITH THE BLYTHSWOOD CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL 2024

Registered Charity No SC048001 Company No 583493 Registered Address: Highland Deephaven, Evanton, IV16 9XJ

Nana Maclean	07818 861637
Anna Blyth	07723 441017
Charlie Nicolson	07737 815476
James Muir	07527501005

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Due to the busy nature of the area surrounding the Appeal Centre and in the interests of Health & Safety, we ask that you stringently adhere to the above opening times when dropping off your donations. Please do not come to the Appeal Centre before 4:00 pm.

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Mhairi Macleod	Tel: 07733152168
Nana Maclean	Tel: 07818861637
Catherine Maciver	Tel: 01851 703187
Anna Blyth	Tel: 0773441017
Mairianne Campbell	Tel: 07876202073
DI Macleod	Tel: 07730377137
Charlie Nicolson	Tel: 07717816476
James Muir	Tel: 07527501005
Sam Murray	Tel: 07484106715
Innes Maciver	Tel: 07990034680

Thank you.

HELPING OTHERS LESS FORTUNATE WITH
THE BLYTHSWOOD CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL 2024

Sàbhailteachd Chloinne

Pupil Safety

To ensure the health and safety of all pupils, parents/carers **should not** park in the staff car park. Thank you for your co-operation.

Dihaoine latha d' aodach fhèin

Free Dress Friday

Free Dress Friday will take place on Friday 25th October.

Donations are welcome but not necessary. No fancy dress or football shirts please.

Thank you.

Comhairle nam Pàrant

Parent Council

The Parent Council works together with the school to promote partnership between the school, parents/carers and pupils. It aims to represent the views of all parents/carers. If you have any queries or questions for the Parent Council, please send them to syprimaryparentcouncil@gmail.com

Fònaichean-làimhe Mobile Phones

A reminder that pupils are not permitted to use mobile phones during school. If your child requires a mobile phone for after school arrangements, it **must** be handed into the school office in the morning and collected at the end of the day. Thank you for your cooperation.

Saor-làithean Holidays

The school will close at 3:25pm on Thursday 10th October for the October holidays. The school will reopen to staff on Wednesday 23rd October and to pupils on Thursday 24th October.

School Term Dates 2024-2025

	Open	Last day of term
Term 1	Monday 12 th August 2024 (Staff)	
	Thursday 15 th August 2024 (Pupils)	
Mid Term Holiday (National Mod)		Thursday 10 th October 2024
Term 2	Wednesday 23 rd October 2024 (Staff)	
	Thursday 24 th October 2024 (Pupils)	
Mid Term Local Holiday		Friday 22 nd – Monday 25 th November 2024
		Friday 20 th December 2024
Term 3	Monday 6 th January 2025 (ALL)	
Mid Term Local Holiday		Friday 14 th – Monday 17 th February 2025 (Staff) (Tuesday 18 th February – In-service Teachers)
		Friday 14 th – Tuesday 18 th February 2025 (Pupils)
		Friday 28 th March 2025
Term 4	Monday 14 th April 2025 (ALL)	
Mid Term Local Holiday		Friday 18 th April – Monday 21 st April 2025 (ALL)
Mid Term Local Holiday		Monday 5 th May 2025 (ALL)
		Friday 27 th June 2025 (ALL)
Proposed Start Date 2025/26	11 th August 2025 (Staff) 14 th August 2025 (Pupils)	

Aodach Sgoile School Uniform

There is a large selection of pre-loved, good quality school uniform available in the school foyer. We encourage all families to have a look at what is available and take any items that would be suitable for the next school session. As we are now an Eco School, we hope that most of the uniform can be reused. If you cannot find items that are suitable, please let us know the items and sizes that you require and we will try to source these for you. Alternatively, all items are available to order directly from www.ahyde.co.uk. Orders over £35.00 will receive free delivery.

Biadh Sgoile an Asgaidh agus Tabhartas Aodaich Free School Meals and Clothing Grants

Applications Free School Meals & Clothing Grant are now open for the term August 2024 – June 2025.

Applications can be submitted via: [Forms \(cne-siar.gov.uk\)](https://forms.cne-siar.gov.uk)



Banca Bìdh nan Eilean Siar
Eilean Siar Foodbank

Eilean Siar Foodbank can provide food and support to families. It is located on 15 Keith Street, Stornoway.
Contact can be made with the Foodbank by Facebook messenger, telephone on 07437855920 or email
eileansiarfoodbank@gmail.com.



Tachartasan Teirm 1/2
Calendar of Events Term 1/2

TERM 1	
Tuesday 1 st October	Primary 7 Trip Meeting
Thursday 3 rd October	Uni-hoc Sports Festival Finals P5-7 (5:30-8:30)
Monday 7 th October	Parent Appointments
Tuesday 8 th October	Parent Appointments
Thursday 10 th October	School closes at 3:25 for October holidays
TERM 2	
Wednesday 23 rd October	Staff In-service
Thursday 24 th October	School opens to pupils
Friday 25 th October	Free Dress Friday
Tuesday 29 th October	Uni-hoc Sports Festival Competition P5-7 (5:30-8:30)
Wednesday 13 th November	Là na Gàidhlig
Friday 15 th November	Children In Need
Wednesday 20 th November	Sportshall Athletics Festival GM/L3-4 (5:30-7:00)
Friday 22 nd November	Holiday
Monday 25 th November	Holiday
Friday 29 th November	Parent Council Christmas Fayre
Thursday 12 th December	Nursery/GM1/GL1 Christmas Concert (Afternoon)
Monday 16 th December	GL/GM 2-4 Christmas Concert (Evening)
Tuesday 17 th December	GL/GM 2-4 Christmas Concert (Afternoon)
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Parties
Friday 20 th December	School closes at 3:25 for Christmas holidays

Clàr-bidh Canteen Menu

Week 3	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Pudding
MEAT FREE MONDAY	Macaroni, Garlic Bread, Beans and Seasonal Salad	Lentil Soup and Cheese Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Crackers, Cheese & Fruit or Fruit
Tues	Beef Bolognese, Broccoli, Seasonal Salad	Tomato Soup with Tuna Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Melting Moments & Fruit or Fruit
Wed	Sausages, Wedges, Beans and Sweetcorn	Vegetable Soup and Ham sandwich	Cheese and Carrot Salad	Frozen Yoghurt & Fruit or Fruit
Thurs	Roast Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots & Cauliflower	Salmon Fingers, Mashed Potatoes with Carrots & Cauliflower	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Watermelon & Fruit or Fruit
Fri	Fish and Chips (Mash if Nursery) with Peas and Seasonal Salad	Chicken Noodle Soup With Egg Sandwich	Baked Potato with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Yogurt or Jelly with Fruit or Fruit

Tachartasan Choimhearsnachd Community Events

Newton Youth Club starts on Wednesday 4th September. P1-3 runs from 6-7pm and P4-7 runs from 7-8:30pm. Please make sure the consent form is filled in if you would like your children to attend.

<https://forms.office.com/r/SYMNqgrmSF>

**NEWTON
YOUTH CLUB**

P1-3 6-7PM
P4-7 7-8:30PM

RUNNING ON THE FOLLOWING DATES INITIALLY:

WEDNESDAYS

4TH SEPTEMBER
18TH SEPTEMBER
2ND OCTOBER

CONSENT FORM MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE IN ORDER TO ATTEND.
SEE WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/HOTSPOTINTERVENTIONTEAM
OR
WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/NEWTONWARDCOMMUNITYASSOCIATION

HELD AT NEWTON COMMUNITY HALL,
56 SEAFORTH ROAD (NEXT TO MG ALBA)
FREE OF CHARGE!



Bookbug Sessions

Free **story**, **song** and **rhyme** sessions for babies, toddlers, pre-school children and their families

Western Isles Libraries

Lionacleit Library -
Saturdays 11.30am
31st August
28th September

Tarbert Library -
Mondays 10.30am
26th August
30th September

Stornoway Library-
Thursdays 11am
Starting
29th August

Everyone is welcome!
To find details of your nearest Bookbug Session, download our free app or visit scottishbooktrust.com/bookbug



Sensory Processing Workshop

September 30th 2024 12.30pm - 2.30pm

or

November 28th 2024 6pm - 8pm

Live online session with the Occupational Therapy service for parents/carers (adults only).

- Does your child get upset by certain sensations?
- Are they always moving and fidgeting or constantly touching things?
- Are they easily distracted?
- Do they struggle to engage in everyday activities because of this?

If so, they may have difficulty processing sensory information

Join our online session where you can learn about the senses and the impact these can have on a child. You will leave with a few ideas to try to support your child to be more able and confident in their everyday lives.

For further information or to book your place contact
wi.otwesternisles@nhs.scot

Term 1 After School Activities: August – October 2024

The Sports Centre are happy to announce that some of the sports activity classes will be running from week beginning **19 August 2024** in the Lewis Sports Centre. These classes are to be booked the same way as they were last term. They must be **booked weekly**. Every **Friday at 12 Noon** spaces for the following week will be released on our booking app **CnES Sports facilities**.

Costs – All 45 min sessions are £4.20 or £2.10 for members, Mini Kickers/Sports £3.20 or £1.60 for members and Wednesday Athletics (P1-P3) is FREE of charge. This term we will be offering the following activities:

Monday

GYMNASTICS

P1-P2: 4:00-4:45pm

P3-P4: 4:50-5:35pm

Dates – 19th, 26th August, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th September and 7th October

Tuesday

GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL (STARTS TUESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER)

P1-P3: 4:00-4:45pm

Dates – 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th September, 1st and 8th October

Wednesday

ATHLETICS (STARTS WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER)

P1-P3 4:00-4:45pm

Dates – 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th September, 2ⁿ and 9th October

Friday

MINI KICKERS

Aged 3-4: 1.30-2pm

Dates – 23rd, 30th August, 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th September and 4th October

SQUASH

P5-P7: 4:00-4:45pm

Dates – 23rd August, 20th September, 4th October

BADMINTON

P5-P7 4:00-4:45pm

Dates – 30th August, 13th, 27th September

Should I keep my child off school or childcare?

✓ Yes

Illness	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the advice on NHS inform if they've tested positive for COVID-19
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

X No

but make sure you let their school or childcare know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Head lice	Threadworms
Glandular fever	Tonsillitis	Slapped cheek

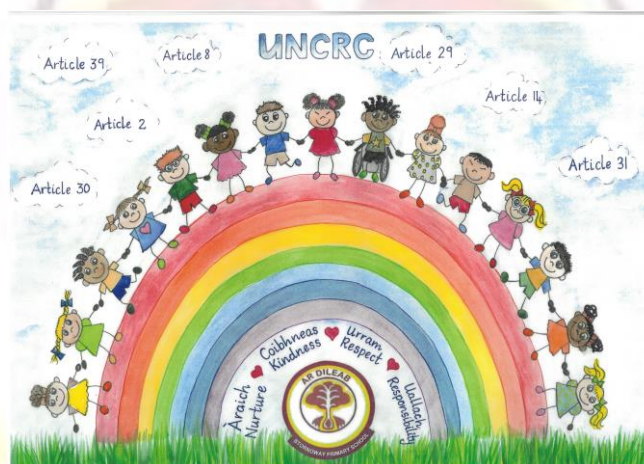
Parents and carers can find further health advice on nhsinform.scot

Advice and guidance
To find out more, scan the QR code or visit publichealthscotland.scot/hpcyp





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